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## *Renew pledge to cherish peace, protect freedom*

By Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm  
U.S. Southern Command  
commander in chief

On this Memorial Day, we honor members of the U.S. Armed Forces who valiantly fought and perished defending our nation and preserving our freedom. Their bravery, devotion to duty, and selfless sacrifice deserve our respect

and highest tribute. Across the U.S. and in many foreign nations where U.S. forces have fought and died, Memorial Day services will commemorate the pride and unparalleled devotion of U.S. service members. Red, white, and blue will adorn the gravesites of our

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**Gen. Charles Wilhelm presents a 50th Anniversary of the Korean War Commemoration Coin to a veteran at Miami VA Medical Center during a visit May 4.**

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countrymen and remind us of the enormous debt we owe to the men and women whose sacrifices have preserved our democratic way of life.

Today, U.S. Southern

Command carries on the work of past generations by promoting the principles of democracy, peace, and respect for human rights throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. We at USSOUTHCOM honor our military heritage -- today and every day as we serve our nation with pride and professionalism. On this first Memorial Day of the twenty-first century, let's renew a pledge to our children and fulfill a lasting promise to our forebearers to always cherish peace and forever protect the freedom we hold so dear.

God bless you all.

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "C. Wilhelm".



**Photos by Air Force Tech. Sgt. Lee Roberts**

**Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm, U.S. Southern Command commander in chief, presents his coin to an Air Force veteran at the Miami VA Medical Center during a visit May 4.**

# Common sense, understanding keys to hurricane preparedness

By Tech. Sgt. Lee Roberts, USAF  
Command Run Editor

**M**IAMI — Common sense and understanding are the keys to hurricane preparedness, advises Air Force Capt. Kevin Fryar, the command's meteorologist, on the eve of the storm season that runs June 1 through Nov. 30.

Fryar said most south Floridians prepare well in advance for the hurricane season, but many military personnel who arrive here aren't used to dealing with issues such as evacuation, safeguarding a home, or storing equipment and supplies.

"Before the hurricane season even gets going... go ahead and purchase the



Photo by Air Force Tech. Sgt. Lee Roberts

## Motorists travel through water-filled streets during Hurricane Irene.

equipment and the things you are going to need," Fryar explained. "People should buy and store supplies such as ex-

tra water, non-perishable foods, flashlights and batteries, and a national hurricane weather service radio to monitor bul-

letins and weather warnings before, during and after a

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storm.”

Last year, many U.S. Southern Command members were caught off guard by Hurricane Irene, which hit the city from the west. It dumped a lot of water throughout the area, and many people tried to buy last minute supplies at the local grocery stores. Fryar said, “All you will find at the store right before a storm are long lines and a lot of very frustrated and angry people. The best way to avoid conflict in this regard is to be prepared.”

Hurricane Irene also claimed several lives in the area when a downed power line electrocuted a woman



Photo by Air Force Tech. Sgt. Lee Roberts

**Hurricane Irene dumped a lot of water throughout the Miami area and caught many people off guard in 1999. The hurricane claimed several lives and frustrated many south Floridians trying to buy supplies at the last minute.**

and her children who were taking a leisurely walk on wet sidewalks immediately after the storm.

Fryar said that it's important for everyone in the command to stay at home during and after a hurri-

cane to avoid senseless accidents. “There are always foolish people who want to play in the water or that think they can drive through water because they own a four-by-four vehicle. You shouldn't walk, stand or drive through water, whether it's moving or not,” he said.

In addition, Fryar said it's important to use good common sense and understand how powerful a hurricane really is. “Know in advance if you and your family live in a flood or evacuation zone and where the nearest hurricane shelter is. Be prepared to evacuate if ordered to do so.

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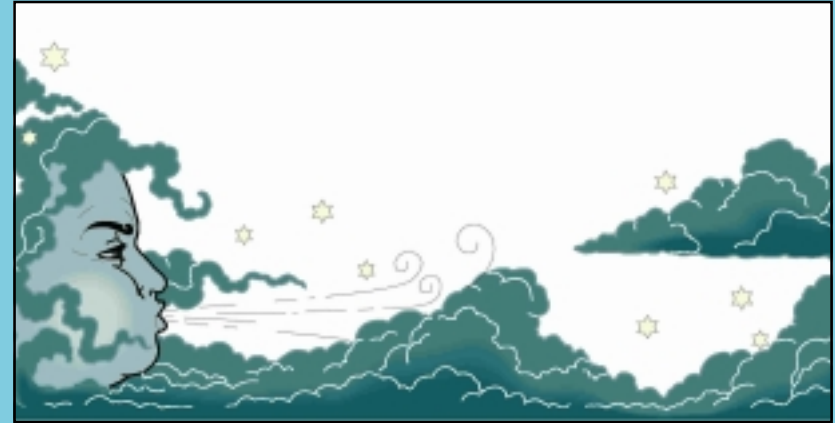
Have all the necessary equipment like storm shutters on hand and be prepared to install them days before a storm arrives. Be sure to monitor any guidance given by the local civil authorities on television, radio and Internet when storms loom off the coast,” Fryar stressed.

The National Hurricane Center is predicting 11 hurricanes in 2000, including three major storms. “Whether you like it or not these storms will threaten the city and you have to begin thinking about getting ready now,” Fryar said.

Fryar said the command’s leaders will be monitoring the weather closely this season and will be ready to send non-essential personnel home in advance of a storm. All personnel are encouraged to update information on the Hurricane Recall Database to expedite any required emergency communication.

The Meteorologist Branch has a hurricane preparedness website on the Intranet and officials plan to launch these pages on the Internet at [www.southcom.mil](http://www.southcom.mil) in June. “The site helps people with hurricane preparedness,

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## **Before hurricane season begins**

- Know if you are in flood or evacuation zone
- Know location of official shelters
- Make sure emergency equipment such as flashlights and battery powered radios are working
- Ensure that enough non-perishable food and water supplies are on hand
- Obtain materials necessary to properly secure your home. Keep trees and shrubbery trimmed. Clear loose and clogged rain gutters and downspouts
- Determine where to move a boat. Review insurance policies

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and also has links to the National Hurricane Center, National Weather Service, and local FEMA sites,” Fryar said. “People can go there for one-stop shopping and find out if they are in an evacuation zone or not, the latest on what a storm is doing, and how it will impact people in south Florida.”

The objective of the site and the command’s hurricane preparedness programs, Fryar explained, is to put information at people’s

fingertips to they can get prepared for tropical storms and hurricanes, and ultimately avoid unnecessary injuries or even deaths.

Mother Nature is a powerful force, Fryar said. “As powerful as man is, sometimes we are all humbled by strong forces like hurricanes. Then people get common sense and understanding. They lay low and relax. They just bed down and hunker down for a day or two until the hurricane passes. They survive... because they were prepared.”

## **Before hurricane hits landfall**

- **Bring inside light-weight outdoor objects**
- **Fuel and service family vehicles. Inspect and secure mobile home tie downs. Evacuate mobile homes. Have a supply of extra cash on hand**
- **Notify neighbors and family members outside of the warned area of your evacuation plans. Put food and water out for pet if you can’t take pet with you. Shelters will not allow pets and many hotels/motels will not either**
- **Turn refrigerator to maximum cold and only open if necessary. Turn off propane tanks. Unplug small appliances**
- **Turn off utilities if recommended by local authorities**
- **Take refuge in small interior room, closet or hallway when winds become strong**
- **After storm, check gas, water and electrical lines for damage. Do not drink or prepare food with tap water until sure not contaminated. Use telephone sparingly**

## **Items to take to a shelter**

- **First aid kit, medicine, baby food and diapers, and toiletries**
- **Battery powered radios including weather radio**
- **Flashlight for each person, extra batteries**
- **Blankets or sleeping bags**
- **Picture ID and valuable papers**

## General presents medal to World War I Veteran



Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm (Left) and wife Valerie pose with World War I veteran Martin Ricklin at the Miami VA Medical Center May 4. The general presented Ricklin, 105, the World War I Commemorative Medal on behalf of the secretaries of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense. Ricklin, a combat veteran, served one year as an Army medic in France during the "Great War." (Photo by Air Force Tech. Sgt. Lee Roberts)



## Air Force troops begin New Horizons Exercise

**M**ONEAGUE, Jamaica — An Air Force-led Department of Defense training exercise centering around several civil engineering projects and a medical readiness exercise began here May 16.

During the next three months, approximately 180 U.S. military members, led by the Air Force's 823rd RED HORSE Squadron (Rapid Engineer Deployable Heavy Operational Repair Squadron, Engineer) from Hurlburt Field, Fla., will participate in the exercise, called Exercise New Horizons 2000.

"This exercise is beneficial to both Jamaica and the United States," said Air Force Lt. Col. Tracey Walker, Combined Task Force Bold Venture commander. "It provides a school building, administration

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**Civil engineering projects in**

**Jamaica for New Horizons Exercise include:**

— Building a military operations center at the Jamaican training camp at Moneague. RED HORSE members began the project May 16.

— Rebuilding a two-story schoolhouse at the Windsor School for Girls in St. Ann's Bay. RED HORSE members began surveying and site preparation May 16.

— Digging wells at Queenhythe and Brownstone. U.S. Navy personnel will begin the drilling in late May.

The medical readiness exercise will occur during the first two weeks of July. Forty-five U.S. Army medics will participate. Exercise New Horizons is sponsored by United States Southern Command, the component of DOD involved with Central and South America, as well as the Caribbean. **(Courtesy of Combined Task Force-Jamaica Public Affairs Public Affairs)**

# Taguba adds flair to Asian-Pacific observance

By Navy Petty Officer 1st Class  
**Gabe Puello**  
Command Run Assistant Editor

**R**aucous laughter was heard emanating from the main conference room May 19 as Army Brig. Gen. Antonio Taguba, deputy commanding general-south, 1st U.S. Army, recalled many of his personal experiences in the Army and growing up in the Philippines, with a lighthearted flair, in observance of Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month.

Since 1979, the president has proclaimed a national observance in May to celebrate the contributions and achievements of Asian-



Photo by Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Gabe Puello  
**Army Brig. Gen. Antonio Taguba recalls his personal military experiences and growing up in the Philippines.**

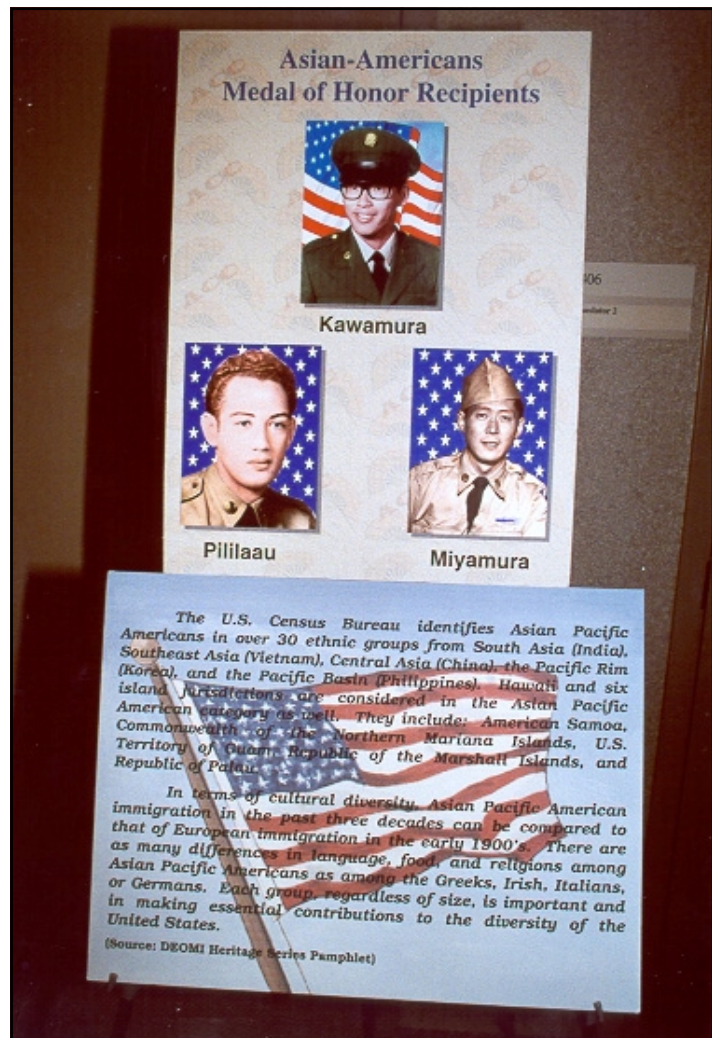
Pacific Americans. The theme for this year's observance was "Voices of the

mentioned by Taguba, a native of the Philippines, who took time from his busy schedule at Fort Jackson, S.C., to speak at SOUTHCOM about the accomplishments and the achievements of Americans such as ABC newswoman Connie Chung, all-star San Diego Chargers linebacker Junior Seau, and Internet entrepreneur and Yahoo founder, Jerry Yang.

"The contributions and successes these and other notable Asian-Pacific Americans have had, is due mostly in part to the fundamental principle of hon-

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oring our family first. This is what is mostly responsible for the

significant contributions to our country by (all) Asian-Pacific Americans,” said Taguba.

Following the

brigadier general’s speech, the command was treated to various samples of cuisine from Asian-Pacific cultures.



Photos by John Pellino

**Members of the command were treated to various samples of cuisine from Asian-Pacific cultures.**

**(Left) This is one of several displays depicting Asian-Pacific history and contributions.**



**Army Brig. Gen. Antonio Taguba and Army Brig. Gen. Ronald L. Burgess, J-2 director, talk following the Asian-Pacific Heritage Observance May 19 at the U.S. Southern Command Main Conference Room.**



# 'Pray2K' theme for 2000 national day of prayer

**By Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Gabe Puello**

Command Run Assistant Editor

"...Now let us bow our heads, for a moment of silence." Those words are mentioned at almost every civic and social event one attends. Appropriately, prayer was the point of interest at this year's National Day of Prayer observance May 4, which included keynote speaker Lt. Gen. Walter Hogle Jr., 15<sup>th</sup> Air Force commander, Travis Air Force Base, Calif., and Gen. Charles Wilhelm, U.S. Southern Command commander in chief.

America's hope for a New Millenium (PRAY2K), was the theme of this years National Day of Prayer observance held in the main conference room. And having such a distinguished speaker was a prayer an-



Photo by John Pellino

**Air Force Lt. Gen. Walter Hogle Jr., 15<sup>th</sup> Air Force commander at Travis Air Force Base, Calif., speaks during the command's National Day of Prayer observance May 4.**

swered for the command chaplain. "To get a three star general from Travis, AB, to talk about something he believes in strongly, is better witness than any Chaplains can muster,"

said Air Force Col. Emilio Chaviano, during his opening remarks.

In a standing-room only conference room, command personnel listened as Hogle equated spiritual health with physical health. In a reference to Air Force, Capt. Scott O'Grady's ordeal in Bosnia, the general mentioned Capt. O'Grady's strong belief in God and his statements to that fact after his rescue, as being "as significant to his survival as his physical training and health."

"The mind, body, and spirit, like the legs on a stool, all three serve a purpose together," said Hogle. "No one aspect can be healthy without the other two."

Following the general's speech, Wilhelm presented Hogle with an award plaque and his coin in appreciation for his services to the command.





Photos by Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Gabe Puello

**Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy James Herdt talks with U.S. Southern Command enlisted members during an All Hands call May 19.**



**The Navy's top enlisted man talks about issues concerning military personnel from his perspective in Washington D.C.**

# Navy's top enlisted man holds All-Hands call, addresses issues

**By Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Gabe Puello**  
Command Run Assistant Editor

The master chief petty officer of the Navy, James Herdt, visited the headquarters May 19 and spoke to enlisted personnel from every service on issues ranging from child care and pay to beltway politics and joint interoperability in the workplace. The master chief was particularly envious of the joint environment in which all U.S. Southern Command per-

sonnel work, however he noted that changes were needed and are in progress to make financial living conditions in the area easier.

Serving as a direct pipeline on enlisted issues to the chief of naval operations, Herdt travels around the globe 280 days of the year talking to soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines alike. The conference room was abuzz as the

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topic of men and women serving together on submarines came up. The master chief envisioned a future where men and women would serve together on submarines. "Women are certainly capable of doing the work, that's not in question. The problem lies upon whether we as a society are ready for sleeping eating and using the toilet together with no privacy whatsoever," said Herdt. "I just don't think we're



**Navy Seaman Carina Gharthey (Left) gives Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (Right) a ceremonial K-bar knife on behalf of the command as Command Sgt. Maj. Jesse Laye looks on.**

quite there yet. I do foresee it, in the near future," he added.

During the questions and answers period a sailor asked Herdt if the undermanning crisis the

services have been experiencing were being resolved at all. Herdt then replied, "Today's servicemember is a more sophisticated, aware and better informed

enlisted force than ever before. Through use of the internet, and up to date information received, enlisted folks can really put the pressure on D.C."

Before his departure, Herdt emphasized that the non-commissioned officers should "lead, motivate and inspire," their subordinates if they planned on getting ahead. He was then presented with a ceremonial K-bar knife, inscribed by the command, and the CINC's personal encased coin in honor of his visit.

Immediately after his visit to SOUTHCOM, Herdt was returning to Washington D.C. for a much deserved rest, after having been on the road for several weeks.

## Kosovo Campaign Medal approved

President Clinton has approved establishment and award of the Kosovo Campaign Medal and campaign streamers to recognize the accomplishments of our military service members who participated in or were in direct support of the Kosovo operations within established areas of eligibility.

Individuals authorized the KCM must have participated in or served in direct support of one or more of the following Kosovo operations: Allied Force, Joint Guardian, Allied Harbor, Sustain Hope/Shining Hope, Noble Anvil, or Kosovo Task Force



Photo by Army Staff Sgt. Milton H. Robinson

**Army Pfc. Mandy Bollman, 92nd Military Police Company, pulls perimeter security in the village of Ugljare, Kosovo. She was part of a May 19 cordon-and-search mission.**

Hawk, Task Force Saber, or Task Force Hunter within the Kosovo Air Campaign or Kosovo Defense Campaign area of eligibility.

The Kosovo Air Campaign began on March 24, 1999, and ended on June 10, 1999. The area of eligibility is the total land area

and air space of Serbia (including Kosovo), Montenegro, Albania, Macedonia, Bosnia, Croatia, Hungary, Romania, Greece, Bulgaria, Italy and Slovenia; and the waters and air space of the Adriatic and Ionian Sea north of 39 degrees North latitude.

The Kosovo Defense Campaign began on June 11, 1999, and will end on a date to be determined. The area of eligibility is the total land area and air space of Serbia (including Kosovo), Montenegro, Albania, Macedonia, and the waters and air space of the Adriatic Sea within 12 nau-

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tical miles of the Montenegro, Albania, and Croatia coastlines south of 42 degrees and 52 minutes North latitude.

Servicemembers must have served, or be currently serving, in a unit participating in or directly supporting the operation for 30 consecutive days in the area of eligibility or for 60 non-consecutive days provided this support involves entering the operations area of eligibility or meets one or more of the following criteria:

■ Be engaged in actual combat, or duty that is equally as hazardous as

combat duty, during the operation with armed opposition, regardless of time in the area of eligibility.

■ While participating in the operation, regardless of time, is wounded or injured and requires medical evacuation from the area of eligibility.

■ While participating as a regularly assigned aircrew member flying sorties into, out of, within, or over the area of eligibility in direct support of the military operation.

One bronze star shall be worn on the suspension and service ribbon of the KCM for qualifying participation in each campaign period. A servicemember who qualified as a participant in one campaign

## ***Moment of remembrance puts memorial back in Memorial Day***

**By Jim Garamone**

American Forces Press Service

**W**ASHINGTON — The British called it “The Great Silence,” as if there had never been a moment’s silence in the world before.

The Great Silence marked the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918 — the moment marking the armistice ending the fighting during World War I. All over Great Britain, people stopped where they were and reflected on the sacrifice of a generation in the trenches of the Great War. The Great Silence continues in England, and now something comparable will happen in the United States.

“We want to put memorial back in Memorial Day,” said Carmella LaSpada, event coordinator for

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would wear the KCM with medal and service ribbon. one bronze star on the (DoD News Release)



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the National Moment of Remembrance.

The National Moment of Remembrance calls for all Americans to stop at 3 p.m. local time on Memorial Day — wherever they are — and take one minute to think of the Americans who died to ensure freedom around the world.

LaSpada said the White House is asking radio stations to play “Taps” during the Moment. “We selected 3 p.m. because that is the time of the day that the majority of Americans are out enjoying the freedom for which these people died,” she said.

She said she hopes the moment becomes a new American tradition. DoD officials encourage service members to participate. “At Army posts, on ships at sea, on Air Force bases — wherever people may be at that time — they should participate in the moment,” she said.

The National Moment of Remembrance Web site is at [www.whitehouse.gov/remembrance](http://www.whitehouse.gov/remembrance).



# Air Force announces fitness test changes

By Leigh Anne Redovian  
Air Force Surgeon General Public  
Affairs

BOLLING AIR  
FORCE BASE, D.C.  
(AFPN) — Beginning in  
July, the Air Force's annual  
cycle ergometry test will be

expanded to include mus-  
cular fitness assessments  
using push-ups and  
crunches for all Air Force  
members.

Pass/fail standards will  
not be decided until Janu-  
ary 2002, giving Air Force  
leadership sufficient oppor-

tunity to evaluate the ex-  
panded program's effective-  
ness.

"The Air Force is com-  
mitted to enhancing the  
health, well being, and per-

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## **Miami SWAT team**

Metro Dade, Miami's SWAT  
Commander and members  
of the Miami Narcotics Unit  
are briefed by Marine Brig.  
Gen. Jerry McAbee, U.S.  
Southern Command chief  
of staff, on regional and  
local counter drug issues in  
the main conference room  
during a visit May 15.  
(Photo by Navy Petty Of-  
ficer 1st Class Gabe Puello)

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formance of every member,” said Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Michael E. Ryan. “Total physical fitness includes cardiovascular capacity, muscular strength and endurance, flexibility and body composition.”

Requirements for crunches are the same for men and women depending on their age. Push-up requirements are different for men and women — in number of push-ups completed only — and are also structured according to age. Both men and women will be required to do full “normal military pushups.” Changes to the program will not impact unit testing schedules already in place.

According to Ryan, the changes are vitally important in assessing force enhancement and to ensure compliance with DOD instructions.

“Physical fitness remains an essential component of combat readiness and expeditionary competence,” Ryan said. “We will continue to research methods to improve the health and performance of the Force.”

All members will be receiving a practice evaluation by June 30, 2001. The Health and Wellness Center staff on every installation will provide local information and training.

**Crunches (male and female)**

Age . . . . .	Number in two minutes (arms across chest)
<24: . . . . .	.53
25-29: . . . . .	.50
30-34: . . . . .	.42
35-39: . . . . .	.38
40-44: . . . . .	.32
45-49: . . . . .	.30
50-54: . . . . .	.28
55-59: . . . . .	.27

**Push-ups (female)**

Age . . . . .	Number of FULL pushups
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	in two minutes
<24: . . . . .	.19
25-29: . . . . .	.17
30-34: . . . . .	.15
35-39: . . . . .	.13
40-44: . . . . .	.12
45-49: . . . . .	.10
50-54: . . . . .	.9
55-59: . . . . .	.8

**Push-ups (male)**

Age . . . . .	Number of FULL pushups in two minutes
<24: . . . . .	.42
25-29: . . . . .	.40
30-34: . . . . .	.36
35-39: . . . . .	.34
40-44: . . . . .	.30
45-49: . . . . .	.25
50-54: . . . . .	.20
55-59: . . . . .	.18

For more on this subject, try the Air Force Link Search Engine.

## News briefs

### Miami area tour

The Family Support Center is sponsoring its monthly Miami area tour 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. June 30. The tour is free to military personnel and their families. The tour begins and ends at the **Codina Building**. For more information or to sign up for the tour, call **(305) 437-2665**.

### Newcomers brief

The Family Support Center is sponsoring a newcomers briefing 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 6 at PBA Hall located at 10680 NW 25th Street. The briefing is the first Tuesday of every month.

The briefing includes presentations from the TRICARE representative; SOUTHCOM Health Clinic; Housing Office; Traffic Management Office; Education Office; Legal Office; Quality of Life Office; Morale, Welfare, and Recreation; DoD Police; and the chaplain. For more information or to reserve your seat at the briefing, call **(305) 437-2667 or 2665**, or toll free at **(888) 547-4025**.

### Smooth move

The Family Support Center is sponsoring a Smooth Move briefing June 20 from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at

the U.S. Southern Command Headquarters Conference Room 1401. Call **(305) 437-2639** for more information or to sign up.

### Legal Assistance

Call Army Staff Sgt. Brigitte Romain at **(305) 437-1303** or Suzanne Estes at **(305) 437-1304** to schedule legal assistance appointments.

### Comedy mystery

A comedy mystery dinner is tentatively scheduled June 24 at the Coast Guard Station, MacArthur Causeway. "The Sleuth's Mystery Dinner Show" is a show where each person

becomes a detective. For more information call Suzette Rubet at **(305) 437-2639**.

### IMPAC training

The next IMPAC card training is scheduled 9 to 11 a.m. June 9 at Conference Room 1401. Call Jose Perez at **(305) 437-2660** for more information.

### Stop smoking

The Health Clinic is sponsoring a smoking cessation class 9 a.m. to noon Saturday. Call Eleanor Gayagoy at **(305) 437-**

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The U.S. Southern Command celebrates the Army's 225th Birthday 11 a.m. June 14 at the Main Conference Room. Maj. Gen. Alfred Valenzuela, deputy commander in chief, and Command Sgt. Maj. Jesse Laye will speak at the event. The weekly Command Run will also take place June 14 in honor of the Army's birthday.

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1393 to register.

### Command awards

There is a Command

Awards Ceremony Wednesday from 9 to 9:45 a.m. at the U.S. Southern Command Headquarters. Call 1st Sgt. Kiki Bryant at (305) 437-1722 for more information.

## Religious Affairs

### Service schedule

**Tuesdays:** Weekly Protestant services are noon to 12:30 p.m. in the Main Conference Room, Room 1414.

**Wednesdays:** Weekly Inter-denominational Bible study and fellowship is from noon to 1 p.m. in Room 1401 or 1403.

**Thursdays:** Weekly Catholic services are from noon to 12:30 p.m. in the Main Conference Room, Room 1414.

## Town Hall Meeting

Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm, commander in chief, is holding a Town Hall meeting 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday at the Grand Palms Golf and Country Club in Broward. For more information, call Lynn Vernon at (305) 437-2633. Email all issue forms to [vernong@hq.southcom.mil](mailto:vernong@hq.southcom.mil).

## Busch Gardens trip

The Directorate of Community Activities is sponsoring a day bus trip July 15 to Busch Gardens in Tampa, Fla. For reservations, call Suzette Rubet at (305) 437-2639.

## Wet 'n Wild trip

The Directorate of Community Activities is sponsoring a day bus trip to Wet 'n Wild water park June 10 in Orlando, Fla. The bus departs SOUTHCOM at 6 a.m. and returns at 11 p.m. Cost is \$20 for adults, \$15.50 for children 3 to 9. For reservations call Suzette Rubet at (305) 437-2639.



Photo by Air Force Tech. Sgt. Lee Roberts

## Base operations

The U.S. Southern Command Base Operations has recently moved from the headquarters building to its new location at the Codina Building at 8300 NW 33rd Street. The Codina Building is just 1.2 miles from the headquarters. All telephone numbers for the various Base Operations functions will remain the same.

# Air & Sea Show

## *Military wows Ft. Lauderdale Beach crowds*



Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm (Left), U.S. Southern Command commander in chief, talks with Peter Gammons of ESPN during an interview at Ft. Lauderdale Beach May 6 at the sixth annual Air & Sea Show. There was a wide array of military and civilian events at the two-day extravaganza.



Above: The USS Nassau, a Navy Landing, Helicopter, and Assault Carrier, is anchored off Ft. Lauderdale Beach. Right: the crowd enjoys seeing various military aircraft and seacraft performing at the Air & Sea Show May 6. (Photos by Air Force Tech. Sgt. Lee Roberts)



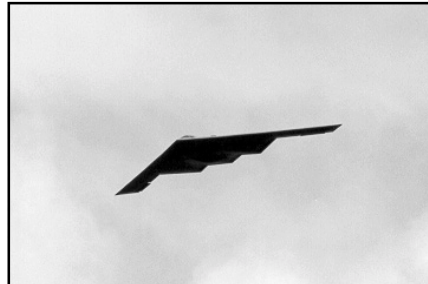




**Spectators watch a C-130 Hercules and two Army Helicopters fly by during the Air & Sea Show.**



**The B-52 Bomber.**



**The B-2 Spirit.**



**Above: Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm poses with Marines from the amphibious ship USS Nassau.**

**Right: The general greets and coins a young Marine.**





# Perry School partners witness national salute to U.S. military



**Henry D. Perry Middle School students sit on Ft. Lauderdale Beach during a special showing of the Air & Sea Show May 5.**

## Day at beach reward for grades

**By Petty Officer 1st Class Gabe Puello**  
Command Run Assistant Editor

**A** long yellow school bus, full of Henry D. Perry Middle

School, VIP's, were dive bombed, assaulted amphibiously by Marines and the targeted by Army precision skydivers while rehearsing for the national salute to the U.S. Military, Air and Sea show, May 5, at Ft. Lauderdale, Beach.

"These twenty five VIP's; students from Perry Middle Schools' dropout prevention program, were awarded a

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**Photos by Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Gabe Puello**  
**The Canadian Snowbirds do their stunts over the water at Ft. Lauderdale Beach May 5.**



Photos by Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Gabe Puello  
**Navy Seaman Nichole Prince, J-6 Command, Control, Communications, and Computer Systems Directorate, gets out of the activity bus. She and other SOUTHCOM members volunteered to escort the kids to the event.**

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school day at the beach after having maintained or bet-

tered their grade point averages," said Sharon Airaghi, principal.

Volunteer mentors from SOUTHCOM answered the

student's questions and offered their knowledge of all things military. The field trip afforded the students a first-hand look, at examples of military precision, hardware, and discipline. Several of the students have been receiving ongoing mentoring from command personnel such as Air Force Maj. Tim Green, and Navy Seaman Nichole Prince. Both have been mentoring at the school for over five months.

"Some of the kids are in the program because of learning disability's or atten-



## The Canadian Snowbirds perform.

dance problems, but not all the kids are bad, and I can handle the bad ones," added, Prince.

During the Air and Sea Show's rehearsal at Ft. Lauderdale Beach, Navy Petty Officer Melissa Bell, Air Force Senior Master Sgt. Kenneth

Wharton, Seamen Chris Petterson and Nichole Prince, and Army Master Sgt. Maria Marin-Davis assisted the faculty by chaperoning the students to and from the show amidst thousands of other middle schools and high schools.



## *Advisers turn Civil War battlefields into modern-day classrooms*

By Chief Warrant Officer Richard J. Wilde, USA

J-5 Strategy, Policy, and Plans  
Directorate

More than 135 years have passed since the last shots were fired at Harper's Ferry, West, Va., South Mountain, Md., and Gettysburg, Pa. These battlefields of yesteryear, hallowed by American blood shed, and rich in military heritage, recently served as modern-day classrooms for five participating nation advisers assigned to the

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Photos by Army Chief Warrant Officer Richard J. Wilde  
Brig. Gen. Jerry McAbee (forefront) and participating nation advisers pose for a photo at Gettysburg National Battlefield during an educational trip May 11-13.

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U.S. Southern Command.

Brig. Gen. Jerry McAbee, U.S. Southern Command chief of staff, toured the Civil War battlefields May 11-13 with Col. Hernán Garay of the Argentine Army, Col. Gustavo Porras of the Colombian Army, Col. Julio Darío Tabárez of the Uruguayan Army, Captain Jorge Hartung of the Chilean Navy and Lieutenant Colonel Jaime Anda of the Ecuadorean Army.

Before the trip, McAbee asked each of the advisers to research a phase of the various

battles and then invited them to his house to brief him and the others on what transpired on these bloody grounds. They held discussions and then departed on their trip to the historical battlefields.

Mike Miller, senior archivist at the U.S. Marine Corps University at Quantico, Va., and avid historian, served as guide and provided his insight into the tactical, strategic, and political significance of the battles.

But McAbee also contributed his military expertise. During the tour, the general commented how U.S. Civil War battles are often studied today by students at the service academies.



Photo by Army Chief Warrant Officer Richard J. Wilde

**Mike Miller (Left), senior archivist at the U.S. Marine Corps University, Quantico, Va., gives insight about the battles.**

He said that land where battles were fought were established as national battlefield parks to ensure they would be available for future genera-

tions to study and learn.

In the early 1900s, military officers would

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spend about two weeks riding over the grounds on horseback with military history professors, discussing how the nineteenth century commanders had made their various tactical decisions, based on the terrain and other factors.

For this trip, however, the group used a van for transportation to the sites. McAbee and Miller led similar discussions at the various battlefields. Some factors consid-



Photo by Army Chief Warrant Officer Richard J. Wilde  
**This statue stands as a memorial at Gettysburg National Battlefield.**

ered were the value of cavalry to provide intelligence on the enemy's troop movements, massing of artillery to achieve

shock power and the use of entrenchment for defensive positions. At Harper's Ferry, the Union Army commander chose to defend one hill overlooking his position with a small detachment and ignored entirely another nearby hill. One participant commented he had read the attacking Confederate commander had stated he would have preferred to attack that town 40 times rather than defend it once, recognizing the common military maxim of the value of controlling

the high ground.

As mentors, McAbee and Miller brought out many other interesting topics to the eager students. As the majority of the senior Union and Confederate military leaders were all graduates of the U.S. Army Military Academy, they knew each other's strengths and weaknesses. Union Gen. George B. McClelland had a reputation for being extremely cautious and most historians

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consider that Confederate General Robert E. Lee was willing to take certain risks that he might not have with another more aggressive opponent.

The importance of one apparently minor detail was made clear when discussing a group of Confederate attackers who were engaged in a gun battle at Gettysburg with Union forces. The Confederates didn't have water in their canteens. The muskets of that time had to be loaded by biting off the end of the paper packaging containing the black gunpowder and



Photo by Army Chief Warrant Officer Richard J. Wilde  
**The five participating nation advisers pose next to a cannon at a union position on Gettysburg National Battlefield in Pennsylvania.**

bullet. As careful as the soldiers might be, some of the gunpowder would generally remain in their mouths, causing severe thirst. That, combined

with the July heat, may have contributed to the Confederate soldiers' rout at a critical moment of the battle. The element of luck was also a factor

on several occasions. Even General Lee was a victim of an unfortunate decision at Gettysburg. His forces had performed well attacking a Union position during the second day of battle but were forced to withdraw. He ordered a massive charge at the same site on the third day, not knowing his opponent had reinforced the position during the night and the Confederates were repulsed with great loss of life.

Not all discussions during the tour were serious. On the first day of the tour McAbee commented that he is a proud

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Alabamian and the descendent of a Georgia soldier who fought for the South. He later remarked that General Lee was so distressed at the number of soldiers that arrived late on the scene of many battles that he had to establish the policy of shooting stragglers to dissuade others from lingering. On the second day of the outing, one member of the group showed up with salve on his knees, visible below his walking shorts. When an-

other member looked quizzically at the sight, the user responded, loudly enough for McAbee to hear, that he was using horse liniment on his sore joints as he had heard how Southern generals shot stragglers.

Another humorous moment was when Porras, an Engineer officer in the Colombian Army, saw in the distance a statue of General Gouverneur K. Warren, the Chief Engineer of the Union Army who discovered a Confederate flanking movement at Gettysburg and then ordered troops to foil their efforts. Although the colonel speaks En-

glish well, he could not remember General Warren's name and he shouted out, "There's the guy!" which startled everyone close by.

Prior to leaving the last battlefield visited, the group presented McAbee with a replica of a Confederate artilleryman's uniform cap. A collage of photographs taken during the trip was subsequently assembled and a copy provided to each participant to commemorate the event. Each participating nation advisor's minister of defense was also sent a copy with a personal letter from McAbee.

The goal of each par-

ticipant was to increase the level of their professional military education of large-scale and small unit leadership in tactical situations.

Other members of the group were Col. Ron Williams, Public Affairs director; Lt. Carlos Plazas, executive officer for the chief of staff; Lt. Kyle Leese, maritime operations officer, J-2 Intelligence Directorate Operations Division; and Chief Warrant Officer Rick Wilde, J-5 Strategy, Plans and Policy Directorate contact officer who works with the participating nation advisers.



# Challenge motivates Bataan death marchers

***Participants moved by ideals behind memorial event***

By Tech. Sgt. Lee Roberts, USAF  
Command Run Editor

MIAMI — “I learned at the 20-mile mark that my feet and body were wanting to shut down. I then thought of the original ‘bat-tling bastards of Bataan’ and the extreme conditions that they had to endure. They had no food, no shoes, diseases,



Courtesy photo

**Marine Staff Sgt. William Dluhos marches on a New Mexico highway during the 12th Annual Bataan Memorial Death March April 16.**

wounds, and if any of them fell, they were executed on the spot,” said Army Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Peter Flanagan following his grueling 26-mile hike with a 35-pound rug-sack on his back.

Flanagan and 13 other U.S. Southern Command members participated in the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Bataan Memorial Death March April 16 at White Sands Missile Range, N.M. By marching, they honored the memory of the men who died... and the courage demonstrated by American and Philippine servicemen who survived a 65-mile march to prison camps after surrendering to Japanese

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forces in 1942 during World War II.

Army Sgt 1<sup>st</sup> Class Henry M. Montoya, the team captain, said there were approximately 3,000 military and civilian competitors from all over the world at this year's event, which is sponsored by the Army ROTC unit at New Mexico State University. Each participant, some with weighted rug-sacks, marched at elevations ranging from 4,100 to 5,300 feet over a 26.2-mile course across hilly desert terrain, circling around a small mountain, returning to White Sands Main Post

through sandy desert trails and washes.

Montoya said the SOUTHCOM team entered the "Male Military Heavy" category, which finished 12<sup>th</sup> out of 70 teams. Also, the team entered the "Coed Military Light" category. In addition, Command Sgt. Maj. Jesse Laye entered the "Military Male Over 40" category – placing fourth, and 1<sup>st</sup> Sgt. Kiki Bryant competed in the "Military Female Light" category – placing third.

"Each individual marched for his or her own reasons," Montoya said about the SOUTHCOM team members. "Like myself, I'm sure that the challenge of the event itself was high on everyone's list.



Photo by Victor Calzada

**Former Army Master Sgt. John Mims (Right), 77, survivor of the Bataan Death March, greets Command Sgt. Maj. Jesse Laye after he completed the 26-mile race.**

During the 26 miler I kept thinking 'why am I doing this?' Than I would quote the Nike ad to myself... just do it. I would also think about the brave men

who suffered conditions far worse than anything that I would ever encounter. I

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told myself this is nothing compared to their experience,” he added.

The challenge of the march for Marine Staff Sgt. William Dluhos was the thought of accomplishing something that would bring him to the edge of his physical abilities. He attained a large blister on his right foot while training for the event, but vowed to attempt the march anyway. The defying course not only tested his blistered foot and physical strength, but also his mental strength as well. “There were times I had to reach deep inside of myself and find the energy to continue,” he said.

Army Capt. Gregory Tarancon said each mile of the march seemed to get easier because his teammates urged him to continue. He admitted

he fought the desert heat and sun and had to drink more water towards the end, which made him appreciate even more the sacrifices and experiences the men of Bataan went through in 1942. “They are real heroes,” he said. “It made me feel good to be a part of a march that commemorates and honors the memory of the Bataan Death March.”

Army Lt. Col. Jeffrey McClain marched for yet another reason. He said he wanted to keep in touch with his roots as an infantryman, but also release pent-up frustrations one gets sitting behind a computer for 10 to 12 hours a day. He happily reported the event was a great stress reliever that challenged his endurance.

“The march was an interesting combination of soft and hard packed sand with several miles of asphalt,”

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## SOUTHCOM Team

### Male Military Heavy Category

- Army Lt. Col. Jeffrey D. McClain, J-3
- Army Capt. Gregory Tarancon, J-3
- Army Sgt. 1st Class Henry M. Montoya, CINC Communications (team captain)
- Army Sgt. 1st Class Pete Flanagan, EOA
- Army Sgt. 1st Class Richard Cannon, CINC Security
- Marine Staff Sgt. William Dluhos, SPACINC

- Army Staff Sgt. Stephen Jackson, ASA

### Coed Military Light Category

- Marine Lt. Col. John D. Coddou, J-3
- Army Sgt. 1st Class Ronald V. Wallace, Base Operations (team captain)
- Army Sgt. Kerry Stein, J-2
- Army Spc. Shannon Wilson, ASA
- Air Force Senior Airman Robert Battle, J-2

### Military Female Light Category

- 1st Sgt. Kiki Bryant
- (Finished in 3rd place)

### Military Male Over 40 Category

- Command Sgt. Maj. Jesse Laye
- (Finished in 4th place)

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McClain said. "The humidity was low which helped but the temperature increased dramatically as the morning progressed. Probably the hardest part was a one-mile stretch at about the 20-mile mark which had ankle deep sand that slowed most people down."

McClain said he was pleased to see the large number of participants and humbled by the history of Bataan.

"It was very enjoyable and heart-

wrenching to be introduced to the survivors of the Bataan Death March," who were present at the event. "Needless to say we only marched 26.2 miles as healthy human beings and were not prodded by guards that would just as soon see you fall out and either die or be killed," he said.

Army Sgt. Kerry Stein entered the competition because she wanted to learn more about the original Bataan Death March. She said she learned how terrible it was for them, and how her experience couldn't compare to



Courtesy photo

**Several of the SOUTHCOM team members pose following the grueling 26-mile march.**

the horrible ordeal suffered by the Americans and Filipinos in 1942.

Army Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class Ronald Wallace summed up the day's event... while it was about a challenge and competition, it was more about remem-

bering and honoring the heroes of the Bataan Death March.

"Because of their sacrifice 58 years ago, people like me today are able to participate in 'fun' events like this one. I can't begin to imagine the suffering they went

through during the original march. I only walked 26.2 miles, with food, water and medical support along the route," Wallace said. "They walked at least three times as many miles under much worst conditions, and were still subject to the life as a POW afterwards. I was able to enjoy a few hot dogs, hamburgers and a Coke after the march. So, the march re-emphasized to me the importance of appreciating all that I have today... and some are much more unfortunate than me."

## Cutler Bay Realty wins Armed Forces golf tourney

### **First Place: Cutler Bay Realty**

Fred Sage

Keith Richardson

Tom Williams

Ron Kreutzer

### **Second Place: Community Bank**

Mark McKinstay

Ray Schawtz

Troy Ehrman

Al Winters

### **Third Place: Pierce & Bowen CPA**

Chris Laplant

Les Bowen

Bob Vilhen

Norm Hoskins

### **Closest to Pin**

Chris Laplant

### **Longest Drive**

Jeff Jamer



**Esther Valenzuela, wife of the deputy commander in chief, putts during the Chamber South Armed Forces Honorary Golf Tournament at Palmetto Golf Course May 5 as Air Force Lt. Col. Elizabeth Almeida watches. There was a good turnout of U.S. Southern Command golfers at the four-person scramble sponsored by the Chamber South Military Affairs Committee. However, the top teams and individual award winners were civilian participants. (Photo by Air Force Tech. Sgt. Lee Roberts)**



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## Ramon DeLeon



**Service:** Civilian  
**Organization:** Property Book Warehouse  
**Duty title:** Warehouse manager

**Time in service:** Five years Army; two years civil service

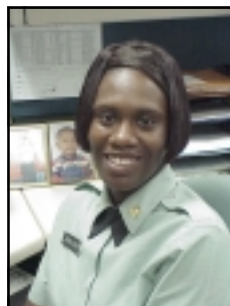
**Hometown:** Santiago, Dominican Republic.

**Hobbies:** Running, swimming, volleyball, and karate

**Favorite duty station:** Fort Sherman, Panama

**Career Highlights:** Competing in marksmanship and swimming competitions while stationed in Panama City; and meeting Sammy Sosa of the Chicago Cubs this year in New York

## Spc. Tomika N. Earven-Dixon



**Service:** U.S. Army  
**Organization:** J-1 Manpower and Personnel Directorate Awards Branch  
**Duty title:**

**Awards NCO**

**Time in service:** 6 years

**Hometown:** Macon, Ga.

**Hobbies:** Reading and spending time with my son

**Favorite duty station:** Defense Intelligence Agency, Washington D.C.

**Career Highlights:** Reenlisting at the White House in 1999. Winning DIA soldier of the quarter for the first quarter of 1997 and second quarter of

## Maria Sanchez



**Service:** Civilian  
**Organization:** Health Clinic  
**Duty title:** TRICARE representative  
**Time in service:**

**Two years**

**Hometown:** Born in New Jersey, raised in Miami

**Hobbies:** Reading, working out, watching movies, and riding bikes

**Career Highlights:** Started with TRICARE in September 1998 at the Pembroke Pines Office. Then I moved to SOUTHCOM in June 1999.

## New lieutenant colonels

Congratulations to the following Army officers who were recently chosen for promotion to the rank of lieutenant colonel:

■ Glynn Wood, J-5 ■ George Santiago, J-3 ■ Victor Molina, J-5 TCA ■ Ricky Spann, J-5 TCA ■ David Figueroa, J-5 TCA

## Employee awards

Congratulations to the following individuals who were selected as the Federal Employees of the Year for 2000 or as finalists at the South Florida Federal Executive Board's 35th Annual Federal Employee of the Year Awards Luncheon May 5 at the Fire Tower in Miami:

### *Employees of the Year*

- Carlos A. Andrade, J-6, Management Category
- Sandra C. Goodman, J-8, Professional Category
- Army Lt. Col. Sandra C. Goodman, J-6, Technical Category
- Army Col. (Dr.) Glenn W. Mitchell, command surgeon, Scientific Category

### *Finalists*

- Sandra L. Swynenberg, J-1, Administrative Category
- Julia J. Ramos, ASA, Equal Employment Opportunity/Diversity Category
- Air Force Tech. Sgt. Mark A. Cozine, J-6, Technical Category



## *Citizens' volunteer*

Patricia Maria Bergholt, J-6 Command, Control, Communications, and Computer Systems Directorate, receives a commendation from Metro-Dade Police Department Maj. James DiBernardoin in recognition of her outstanding work in support of Citizens' Volunteer Program during the 3rd annual award dinner April 18 at the Firefighters Memorial Building.



## Cuba broadcasting

Gen. Charles E. Wilhelm (Right), U.S. Southern Command commander in chief, gets a briefing from Herminio San Román during the general's visit to Radio and TV Marti at the Office of Cuba Broadcasting in Miami May 4. Román, the director, explained how Radio Marti broadcasts seven days a week, 24 hours a day, on medium wave (AM) and shortwave, and how Television Marti broadcasts quality news, features, entertainment and sports programming daily to Cuba. (Photo by Air Force Tech. Sgt. Lee Roberts)